

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Plaintiff,

v

JOSE GUTIERREZ-SANABRIA,
Defendant.

CRIMINAL NO. 99-125 (JAF)

MOTION REQUESTING LEAVE TO WITHDRAW

TO THE HONORABLE JOSE A. FUSTE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

COMES NOW, the Federal Public Defender for the District of Puerto Rico through the undersigned attorney, very respectfully states and prays as follows:

1. On February 19, 2008 the undersigned counsel filed a Notice of Appearance to represent defendant José Gutierrez-Sanabria, upon revocation proceedings.
2. On February 20, 2008, it was requested to this Honorable Court to withdraw our legal representation on behalf of defendant Gutiérrez-Sanabria due to conflicts of interest with Criminal Case No. 08-002 (JAF).
3. On the same date, a Revocation Hearing was held before this Honorable Court to which Attorney Lorenzo Palomares represented defendant Gutiérrez-Sanabria.
4. As such, it is respectfully requested that the Federal Public Defender be granted leave to withdraw as counsel in the above-captioned matter and that Attorney Lorenzo Palomares be forwarded all pertinent ECF filings and notifications henceforth.

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that this Motion be granted.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 25th day of February, 2008.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the parties of record.

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